

A getaway weekend of dance, music, and song at Camp Harlam, near Kresgeville, PA in the Poconos, **November 7-9**, sponsored by Princeton Country Dancers

Contra Dancing and English Country Dancing every day ◆ Couple Dancing
Workshops: dance, singing, instrumental music, and more
An oh-so-elegant Saturday evening cocktail party with live swing dance music
A fabulous ceilidh (sidesplitting skits, serious songs, dance performances...)
Tune swap/jamming ◆ Late night fun

With: A Joyful Noise, Brooklyn Swing Ensemble, Raise the Roof

Nancy Barbour, Daniel Beerbohm, Michael Bell, Marco Brehm, Josh Burdick, Alex Burka, Danny Elias, Steve Epstein, Jeff Gauthier, Sue Gola, Barbara Greenberg, Diane Hartzell, Doug Healy, Donna Hunt, Lenora Kandiner, Michael Karcher, Ben Kennedy, Ridge Kennedy, Judy Klotz, Anna Koplik, Beth Kuhn, Robert LaRue, Peggy Leiby, Carl Levine, Nathalie Levine, Susie Lorand, Rowan Lupton, Jane McCarty, Louise McClure, Ted McClure, Cecily Mills, Imogen Mills, Janet Mills, Robert Mills, Bob Pasquarello, Nicki Perez, Norman Plankey, Christie Riehl, Rebecca Ruggles, Sarah Roberts, Dave Rupp, Judi Stellar, Kathy Talvitie, Roberta Truscello, Ret Turner, Miranda Weinberg, Helen White, Grant Yost, Sam Zygmuntowicz

Calling for the weekend will use gender-free terminology.

Saturday night contra dance – Donna Hunt and Michael Karcher with Brooklyn Swing Ensemble - 8:30-11:00pm The ceilidh, dance, and late-night activities on Saturday will be open to the public if you can't come to the entire weekend. \$25 (Limited income \$15 - \$25) – registration in advance required.

COVID protocols (for all attendees, including Saturday night only attendees)

Required: proof of negative antigen tests on the day of arrival at Head for the Hills Recommended: Vaccination including recent boosters, N95/KN95 or equivalent masks. COVID protocols will be detailed on the web site. If these protocols need to be modified due to changing conditions, registered campers will be notified.

The Weekend

Head for the Hills is a getaway weekend of dance, music, and song, sponsored by Princeton Country Dancers, in collaboration with Valley Contra Dance, Bethlehem. The musicians, callers, workshop leaders, and coordinators volunteer their talents and energy so that we can dance and party together.

Head for the Hills is located at Camp Harlam, near Kresgeville, PA, in the Poconos – about a two-hour drive from Princeton, and only 90 minutes from Philadelphia. The camp features two big and beautiful dance halls with excellent wooden floors, as well as smaller rooms for workshops and jamming. The modern heated rooms are double or quadruple occupancy with private or semi-private bathrooms. There are also heated dormitory-style rooms accommodating up to 10 people. Meals are served family-style in a large dining room.

Last year we filled all the rooms on site and some people opted to stay off site and commute. See "Registration and Cancellation" on reverse side for reduced "commuter" rate and more information. There are a lot of places listed on AirBnB within 20 minutes of Camp Harlam.

Everything you need to know about Head for the Hills 2025

Children are welcome at Head for the Hills, and they may participate according to their ability in workshops and dances.

Recent Head for the Hills included performers, workshop leaders, and campers ranging in age from 7 to 94 and from ten states and Quebec. About ½ of the attendees were young adults under 35. Hope you can join us this year as a new or returning camper!

Here's what some previous years' campers have had to say about the weekend:

"The weekend was about perfect, so friendly, great dancing."

"Head for the Hills is a gem, a major enrichment in the lives of our dance and music community."

"As newbies to HFTH, we were thoroughly impressed and overjoyed, by the planning, events, music, dancers, housing, and food. We were absolutely filled with joy and warm feelings from people everywhere."

"Pinewoods in a weekend!"

How to help

Head for the Hills is an all-volunteer weekend. We hope that you can pitch in to help with one of these small but essential tasks:

Setting up or serving the Cocktail Party food (and drinks) or cleaning up the Cocktail Party, The Silent Auction, Setting out Dance Refreshments, Friday afternoon setup (arrive by 2:30pm), Welcome and Registration, Sound equipment transport/setup, Sweeping dance floors

(sign up on registration form)

Silent Auction of Very Neat Stuff

Do you have good stuff in your cupboards or on your shelves that you no longer need? Or maybe a skill or service to offer? Every year we hold a silent auction to help us maintain the low weekend price (and clear our homes of surplus possessions). We also welcome monetary contributions to help keep the fees for the weekend down.

Registration and Cancellation

Register online at http://head-for-the-hills.com



Registrations will be confirmed by email

Fees: Adults \$240 Youth 3-17: \$170

Students/Limited Income: \$190-\$240

Babies and toddlers free

Commuters \$140 (for those arranging their own offcampus housing; includes all meals and activities at the weekend)

Acceptance to the weekend is on a first-come, first-served basis with no gender-balancing.

Cancellation Policy: Full refund for cancellations before the 15th of October; half refund until the 1st of November; no refunds for cancellations thereafter, except that all refund requests due to COVID exposure, positive tests, or COVID-like symptoms will be honored.

Can't register online – contact Larry Koplik at (908) 359-4837 (land line) or larryk@princetoncountrydancers.org

Payment by check or Zelle. See Registration Form for details.

Other registration or housing questions – email Trish Petzold moorepetz@aol.com

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Ride Sharing and Commuter Coordination

If you need help with transportation or can give someone a ride or would like help coordinating housing with other commuters, please contact Fia at fiafeller@gmail.com